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Soviet units and offices in Stettin.

1. An office referred to as military post headquarters was located on a street connecting Aleja Wojska Polskiego, the former Falkenwalderstrasse, and the former Hohenzollernstrasse, the present name of which is unknown. Offices and officers' billets were in the building. Most of the officers had their dependents living with them. *
2. A small motor vehicle repair shop of the military post headquarters was located on Aleja Wojska Polskiego, near the streetcar depot.
3. Soviet units, whose members wore red epaulets, were quartered in the former German Grenadier Kaserne on what was formerly Bellevuestrasse, at the corner of what was formerly Friedrichstrasse, and in the former German Artillerie Kaserne which is not far to the south. The two barracks were located on the western side of Bellevuestrasse. **
4. A unit of about 500 troops was stationed in the southern section of the free port area. It seemed to be a recruit training battalion since it was primarily engaged in drill

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exercises. There were 350 to 400 men 17 to 19-years old, and 100 to 150 older troops; the older men wore war decorations. All troops wore red epaulets. The young soldiers, in groups of 20 to 50, departed in the direction of Stettin in late October 1949. They did not carry arms. No new troops arrived prior to the end of November 1949. ***

Polish Militia Unit

5. A Polish Militia unit of about 500 men was quartered in a building of the former German Artillerie Kaserne on the eastern side of Bellevuestrasse, south of Friedrichstrasse. Several trucks and jeeps carrying Polish militiamen were observed frequently in the vicinity of the barracks.

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Comment. The villas on Falkenwalderstrasse were reportedly occupied by a headquarters in mid-May 1949.

Comment. First report that the barracks are occupied by Soviet troops.

Comment. Information received during the summer of 1949 indicated that Soviet troops were located in the camp near the bridge which crosses the Parnitz River, east of the petroleum harbor; in the former veterinary examination point, located at the entrance to the free port, and in the former customs office of the free port.

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